

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON RETIREE HEALTH CARE REFORMS**

**Thursday, January 31, 2008 10:30 a.m. Room 521 House Office Building, Lansing**

Representative Meadows, Chair, called the meeting to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Meadows, Spade, Johnson, Valentine, Wenke, Knollenberg, Moss.**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Coulouris, Alma Smith, Calley.**

Representative Wenke made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of January 17, 2008. No objections being offered, the minutes were adopted by unanimous consent.

Representative Johnson made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

Chair Meadows briefly discussed an H-5 substitute to HB 5545 which was reported from Committee on December 13, 2007.

The Chair laid the following legislation before the Committee:

HR 243 Meadows	A resolution to memorialize Congress to enact legislation to change the computation of state Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAPs) by disregarding employer contributions to prefund retiree health care in calculating Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).
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HCR 62 Knollenberg	A concurrent resolution to memorialize Congress to enact legislation to change the computation of state Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAPs) as defined in section 1905(B) of the Social Security Act (43 U.S.C. 1396 (D)) by disregarding employer contributions to prefund retiree health care in calculating Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).
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Representative Knollenberg reviewed the contents of HCR 62 with the Committee.

Chair Meadows spoke to the Committee regarding HR 243.

Chris Mitchell, representing the Michigan Health and Hospital Association, submitted a card indicating support for HCR 62 and HR 243.

Bonnie Carpenter, representing the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel, submitted a card in support of HR 243 and HCR 62.

Tina Grant, representing Trinity Health, submitted a card indicating support for HR 243 and HCR 62.

Chair Meadows stated that the Committee would stand at ease, the time being 10:51 a.m. The meeting was reconvened at 10:57 a.m.

Representative Valentine made a motion to amend HCR 62 as follows:

1. Amend the title of the resolution, line 3, after "Medicaid" by deleting "and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)".
2. Amend the First Whereas clause, line 2, after "Medicaid" by deleting "and SCHIP".
3. Amend the First Resolved clause, line 3, after "Medicaid" by deleting "and State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)".

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Meadows, Spade, Valentine, Wenke, Knollenberg, Moss. (6/10)**

**Nays: None. (0/10)**

**Pass: None. (0/10) (6/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Moss made a motion to report HCR 62 (H-1) with recommendation.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Meadows, Spade, Valentine, Wenke, Knollenberg, Moss. (6/10)**

**Nays: None. (0/10)**

**Pass: None. (0/10) (6/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Moss made a motion to amend HR 243 as follows:

1. Amend the title of the resolution, line 3, after "Medicaid" by deleting "and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)".

2. Amend the First Whereas clause, line 2, after "Medicaid" by deleting "and SCHIP".
3. Amend the First Resolved clause, line 3, after "Medicaid" by deleting "and State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)".

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Meadows, Spade, Valentine, Wenke, Knollenberg, Moss.**

**(6/10)**

**Nays: None. (0/10)**

**Pass: None. (0/10) (6/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Wenke made a motion to report HR 243 (H-1) with recommendation.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives Meadows, Spade, Valentine, Wenke, Knollenberg, Moss.**

**(6/10)**

**Nays: None. (0/10)**

**Pass: None. (0/10) (6/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Meadows declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 11:00 a.m.

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Representative Mark Meadows, Chair

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